

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 232 (*Glory to God* hymnal) Jesus Christ Is Risen Today *Easter Hymn*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Responsive)**

One: The stone is rolled away!

All: **We assume it is a mistake.**

One: The angel says, "He is not here!"

All: **We assume the news is fake.**

One: The women tell the story,

All: **but we do not want to hear it.**

One: Peter runs to the tomb,

All: **but we do not understand.**

One: Forgive us, God, for thinking an empty tomb is nothing more than a prank.

All: **Forgive us for seeing discarded burial cloths and still holding tight to death.**

One: Forgive us for pushing away reasons to hope when you are alive and well in the world.

All: **Teach us to see what you see.**

One: Unravel the threads of our unbelief.

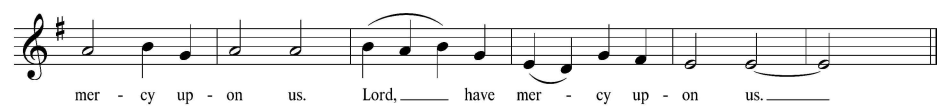
All: **Amen.**

*KYRIE ELEISON

arr. David N. Johnson



Lord, ___ have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, ___ have



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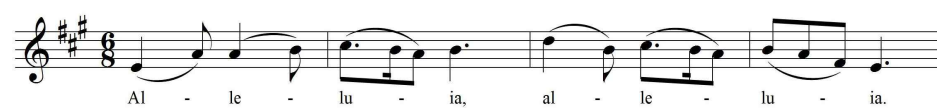
*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

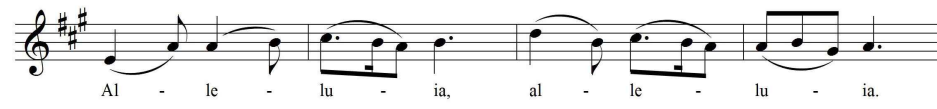
People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

*RESPONSE Celtic Alleluia (*sing twice*)

Fintan O'Carroll



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Sophia Manrod

Children age 4 through 5th grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children's Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 16:1-8

SERMON "God's Resurrection Story"

Rev. Dr. Richard Coble

*HYMN NO. 248 (*Glory to God* hymnal) Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! *Hymn to Joy*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)**

God loves healing into the world.

In whispers. In whimsy. In wonder.

In exhale. In excitement. In euphoria.

In solitude. In silence. In subtlety.

Our bodies, minds, and souls are healed by God.

Healed in ways creative, soothing, beautiful, and bold.

Healed in ways surprising, subtle, unruly, and old.

Through boisterous laughter uncontained,

and anger righteously expressed,

through sounds that soothe,

and silence that settles,

through communities organized

and justice realized.

In all of these things,

in God's good time,

in unexpected ways,

God's healing and wholeness is a mighty balm

for our bone-tired bodies,

for our compassion-fatigued hearts,

and for our weary, weary souls.

THE OFFERING

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center

aisle. Your holding and passing the offering plate is an act of blessing and dedication to

our life together in Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM In resurrectione tua, Christe Jakob Handl

Alleluia. In resurrectione tua, Christe, coelum et terra laetatur. Alleluia.

Surrexit Dominus de sepulchro, qui pro nobis pependit in ligno. Alleluia.

Gavisi sunt discipuli, viso Domino. Alleluia!

Alleluia. In thy resurrection, O Christ, let heaven and earth rejoice. Alleluia. The

Lord is risen from the tomb, who hung on the tree for us. Alleluia. The disciples

rejoiced to see the Lord. Alleluia!

from the *Sarum Breviary*

Brass and Chancel Choirs

*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology *Old Hundredth*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here

below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore.

Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ... The Lord's Prayer (9:00) Barbara Adamcik

(11:00) Rev. Gradye Parsons

During the Prayers of the People there will be a time of silence. You are invited to use this time for personal reflection, confession, thanksgiving, and prayer.

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy

will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and

forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into

temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power

and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Order of Worship

March 31, 2024

9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

EASTER SUNDAY

"There is more beauty than our eyes can bear, precious things have been put into our hands and to do nothing to honor them is to do great harm."

~ Marilynne Robinson, *Gilead*

PRELUDE

Canzona prima á 5

Giovanni Gabrieli

(from *Canzoni e Sonate con ogni Sorte de Instrumenti*, Venice, 1615)

Galliard (from *Three Pieces*)

Anthony Holborne

Brass Choir

INTROIT That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

Puer nobis nascitur

That Easter day with joy was bright; the sun shone out with fairer light when, to

their longing eyes restored, the apostles saw their risen Lord.

From every weapon death can wield, your own redeemed forever shield; O

Lord of all, with us abide in this our joyful Eastertide.

trans. John Mason Neale

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive, from Psalm 118)

One: O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good;

All: **God's steadfast love endures forever!**

One: The LORD is my strength and my might;

All: **God has become my salvation.**

One: I thank the LORD, for you have answered me and have become my

salvation.

All: **The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.**

One: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

All: **This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 435** (*Glory to God* hymnal) There's a Wideness in God's Mercy
In Babilone

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Hail Thee, Festival Day! *Salve festa dies*

Hail thee, fest - i - val day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for - ev - er;
Day when our Lord was raised, Break - ing the king - dom of death.

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***POSTLUDE** Toccata (from *Symphony No. 5*) Charles-Marie Widor

*Please stand in Body or Spirit

**Prayer of Confession by Sarah A. Speed, | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org;

Affirmation of Faith by Bruce Reyes-Chow, *Everything Good about God is True.*

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

Childcare is available in the Nursery downstairs for 9:00am and 11:00am worship services.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Gloria Borum and Chris Van Beke
CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR APRIL: Susan McKeehan and Lana Daverman
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from ushers.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Nolan Oros and James Gilbert

GREETERS (11:00): Kathleen and Bill Farnham

SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Larry Tragesser

LITURGISTS: (9:00) Daniel Berry; (11:00) Gloria Borum and Mary Jo Mann

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Brass and Chancel Choirs

SENIOR USHER: Tom Byerley

USHERS: (9:00) Jeff Bendy, Scott Brunger, Doug and Bonny Naugher

(11:00) Ken Hughes, Michael Yates, Ron Alexander, Darlen Milam and Janet Drumm

OUR THANKS to Bob Adamcik for his enrichment of our worship this morning as he plays timpani on our hymns.

JACOB HANDL (1550-1591), a prolific composer in the late Renaissance, wrote works ranging from shorter four-part motets to settings for two, three, and four choirs in an antiphonal arrangement. He served as cantor at St. Johann's in Prague between 1585 and 1591.

ONE SERVICE NEXT WEEK Sunday, April 7 there will only be one worship service at 11:00am with Sunday School for all ages beforehand at 10:00am.

PRAYER LIST (Please keep the following names in your prayers this week)

Juanita Campbell, Shirley Draper, Sonja Jones, Dagmar Krall, Leonard McKeehan, Judy and Joseph Moon, Lalla Phillips, Kitty Rasa, Doris Solomon, Dorothy Stockdale, Helen Wedekind, Pat Goan, Karen and her son Brian, Ava, and Susan Fuller (Kristel Gibbons' mother).

LEONARD MCKEEHAN passed away on Monday, March 25. A service of witness to the resurrection will be held April 6th at 3:00pm. Please keep Betty, Rob, and Susan McKeehan, as well as their extended families, in your thoughts and prayers as they mourn the loss of this incredible man who was filled with so much sunshine, joy, and positivity! Please notify the church office if you are able to provide a finger food or dish for the reception. Joanna@wpcknox.org or 865-584-3957 ext 101.

EASTER BREAKFAST will begin at 10:00 AM in the Schilling Gallery. After breakfast fellowship, we will move to the courtyard for our egg hunt. Children up to age 10 are invited to participate in our Egg Hunt in the courtyard. There will be three areas for different age groups.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING will be collected during the season of Lent. Through this long standing, ecumenical effort, Presbyterians share God's love through ministries that provide relief to those affected by disasters, food for the hungry and support toward the self-development of poor and oppressed communities. One Great Hour of Sharing funds are divided among its three programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (32%), Self-Development of People (32%), and Presbyterian Hunger Program (36%).

PARKING LOT CLOSED for re-stripping Monday, April 1st. The office will be closed as well for staff holiday.

WPC HIKE! Our next WPC hike will occur on the River Bluff Trail in the Norris watershed this Thursday, April 4. Rain date will be Friday, April 5. Joyce Ryan will help us identify the many wildflowers on this famous trail! We'll gather at the Karm parking lot (140 North Forest Park Blvd in Bearden--formerly Earth Fare) at 9:30 AM to organize carpools-- or meet at the trailhead (Dabney Lane, Rocky Top, TN 37769) at 10:10 AM. Pack a lunch, water, poncho, and wear sturdy shoes or boots. The trail can be slippery, slopey, and muddy. Hike distance is ~3 miles with some short steep-ish climbs. Let Cindy Spangler know if you're able to join us! Visit this link for a good trail description: <https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/tennessee/river-bluff-trail>

9:00 AM PAVILION WORSHIP returns Sunday, April 14. Summer worship schedule begins May 26 with a single service at 10:00 am in the sanctuary.

JUSTICE KNOX'S BIGGEST MEETING OF THE YEAR The Nehemiah Action Assembly (Tuesday, April 9 at 7pm at the Knoxville Civic Auditorium) -- This is the biggest & most important meeting of the year. It is our proverbial "Super Bowl." This is when we need to get as many warm bodies in the auditorium seats as possible. Remember, NUMBERS MATTER. One of our local pastors put it this way, "Just Our Presence Matters."

The more people we have, the bigger the impression/influence/pressure we will have on our city & county officials. We will be asking these officials for a "Yes" to our questions about Education, Homelessness, and Economic Instability. Please join us for a chance to "do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with thy God." (Micah 6:8)

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Linda Judge McRae, Parish Nurse

Debbie Bendy, Abbey Editor

Arthur Collins, Worship Tech

OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, March 31 - EASTER SUNDAY!

9:00am -Worship

10:00am - Easter Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt

11:00am - Worship

Monday, April 1

Staff Easter Holiday - Office closed

Parking lot closed for re-stripping

Tuesday, April 2

5:00pm - *Abbey* deadline

Wednesday, April 3

4:30pm - Companions, Prayer room

Thursday, April 4

9:30am - WPC Hike

THE SESSION

Class of 2024

Josh Birdwell

Gloria Borum

Melanie Lewis

Lisa Oros

Chris Van Beke

Youth Elder: Arthur Collins

Class of 2025

Ed Babelay

Wendy Collins

Janet Drumm

Stephen Fortney

Barbara Froula

Clerk of Session: Bitsy Ingram

Class of 2026

Bill Farnham

Lee Ingram

Lucy Johnson

Kathryn Oakes

Richard Ward

TRUSTEES

Ron Alexander

Alice Mercer

John Smartt

Easter Flowers 2024

We would like to thank everyone for their contributions to our Flower Guild during this Easter Season.

Donor(s)	Dedication
Jan Barber	In honor of grandchildren, Raylan, Emmett, Josie and Boone
Laura Barron	In honor of Peter Van Eenam and all the choirs at WPC that make worship so special and spiritual
Carol Beilharz, children and grandchildren.	In loving memory of Clark Beilharz
Ivan Beltz and Donna Davis	In memory of Edna and George Beltz, Virginia and Bertram Raskin
Mary Boyd.	In memory of Andrew Boyd
The Brewington family	In honor of the beautiful children of Westminster (young and old). You are a blessing!
Gloria Borum	In memory of Etta Borum
The Byerly family	In memory of Don Byerly
Scott and Jerry Carley	In memory of C.T. and Shirley Carley
Anne E. Davidson.	In honor of Walt and Tuck Stevens
Janna DeVente.	In honor of Cory, Laura, Kate Greeson and Andrea, Meredith, Nicola Harrison
Jack Draper	In honor of Shirley Draper
Leigh Dunlap	In memory of Louise Dunlap
Melissa and James Everett.	In honor of Cole and Eli Everett
Maria and David Gall	In memory of their loving parents
Connie and Donnie Graham.	In memory of their parents, Josephine and Clifton Ethridge and Joan and Jim Graham
Jan Gross	In memory of John Gross, Jeffrey Allen Gross, and Dan Newman
John Hankins.	In memory of Charlotte Hankins Webster
Chip and Pat Herzog	In honor of their grandchildren, Alaina, Jaclyn and Tyson
Kathryn Huck	In memory of her mother and father, Phyllis and Albert Clark
.	In honor of their wonderful family
Mary Jennings	In memory of her father, Benny McDaniel
Mike Kaufman	In memory of Lisa Kaufman and Maggie Kaufman
Virginia and Jordan Knight.	In honor of Betty Jo Smith
Anne and John Langley	In memory of their parents, Robert and Voncille Shepard and Clarmont J. and Anne Langley
Nancy Lowe and Harold Jones.	In memory of Elizabeth Jones (mother)
Ed, Cile, Hannah and Eva Mathews; Danielle Mathews Hemsley	In memory of Matt Mathews
Norman and Linda Judge-McRae	In honor of their daughter, Caroline Winson Park McRae
Sue and Hap McSween	In honor of Lindsay, Joe and Sully Smith
.	In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Sid Prescott and Mr. And Mrs. Harry McSween Sr.
Charlie and Alice Mercer	In memory of their mothers
John and Ibbie Muntz	In grateful memory of Laura Joy Muntz and Mary Martitia Rucker
Wendy Neff, Brian, Isaac, Rebecca Shelby	In memory of Gayle Skelton
Kathryn and Rick Oakes	In honor of Clara Oakes
Dan and Sue Park.	In memory of Micky Park
Mark and Pam Potocik	In honor of Peggy Davis

Donor(s)	Dedication
Rick and Janice Rawe.	In memory of their parents Delma and Hugh Garrison and Geneva and Tug Rawe
Max Reddick	In memory of Josephine “Momma Jo” Reddick
Mike, Leslie, Taylor and Ryan Rotella.	In memory of Robert and Mary Helton, Nancy Eagan, Albert and Mary Rotella, Margurite Rotella
Doris Solomon	In memory of John Shilling
Larry and Kathleen Tragesser.	In honor of Chloé and Philip Vaccaro and Lacey and Noah Williams, Laura and Eric Weber, Amy and Josh Hethcox
Jackie Vanden Dorpel and Alexandra McDonald	In memory of Neil Vanden Dorpel
Kay and Richard Ward	In memory of Elizabeth and Delbert Chase, Lora Mae and Richard Ward
Susan and Bill West	In memory of Mary McCall; In honor of Ruth MacKay Barnett
Renee Wiesehuegel	In memory of her amazing niece, Amy McBrayer and her sweet momma, Shirley Rechenbach
Shirley Wittman	In memory of John Wittman
Sharon Boyce and Jack Woodall.	In memory of Lauren Woodall Roady
Jim and Linda Yates (grandparents)	In honor of Max and Ellie Yates, Owen, Ian, Sarah and Grace Salsbery, Jonah and Luke Yates - Patrick and Ryan Toomey

THE 2024 NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR INPUT!

It is time to submit nominations for our next class of officers for the Class of 2027. We will be electing five (5) Elders for Session, one Trustee, and one Youth Elder. Please submit your suggestions to Gloria Borum (gborum@comcast.net), Chair, Janet Drumm (janet.drumm.tn@gmail.com), Vice Chair, or any one of our at-large members: Melissa Everett (melissajane0112@gmail.com), John Salsbery (John.Salsbery@southernrebar.com), or Carl Whipple (cwhipped@live.com).

A couple notes about making nominations...
-We suggest that you check with the person you would like to nominate before you do so, to make sure they are willing/available to serve.
-If YOU have the desire to serve on Session, please feel free to nominate yourself!

**Please submit your nominations by April 14.
A Congregational Meeting has been set for April 21, 2024**

I would like to nominate

for Elder/Youth Elder/Trustee, because
